Youth-Adult Council 6/14/10 Meeting Summary

Attendees: Tim Manke, Tim Cunningham, Karen Benner, Pam Raynock, Liz Palaia, Sarah LaPierre, Dan Cronin, Steve Cronin, Myra Cohen, Nick Grondin, Amy Roberts, Jen Pratt, Meg Cassasanta, Karen Futoma, Nancy Russo-SADD, Shelby Davis-SADD, Amanda Faust-SADD

Call to order @ 7:07pm

Approval of previous summary

Approved by unanimous consent

SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Report by Shelby Davis & Amanda Faust.

- Reported on April conference in Hartford that YAC funded through the CASAC grant.
- Got new ideas from others as to how to involve school more. i.e. Dead Daypeople painted their faces to represent they were dead & encouraged other students to ask how they died.
- Will put into place and action plan the 1st or 2nd week of school year to involve students and raise awareness.
- Will put together plan to recruit for more members. Presently have around 8-10.

2010-11 Proposed Substance Abuse Grant (CASAC) - \$4,245

- a) SCORE After-School Program Contracted Instructors -\$2,645
- b) Sixth-Grade ROPE Final Challenge Contracted Instructors \$1,000
- c) Graduation Celebration \$300
- d) SADD Chapter \$300

YAC unanimously approved the proposal which Ken Freidenberg will submit in July.

Giving Tree Booth - Extravaganza

- Looking for volunteers
- Youth & Adult Members of YAC will email Karen Futoma with names of those available.
- Shifts to be 2 hours each within a 9am-3pm time frame.
- Karen Benner has a pool of library volunteers to tap into if we do not obtain enough through YAC.

Youth Mentoring Program

- In the planning stages.
- Will collaborate with the library in an effort to get a group of students (10-12) middle school aged, mixed gender and adults (4-6) mixed gender.
- HS provide 3-4 group sessions and library will provide 1-2 sessions.

- Oct. challenge course, Nov. hike up Talcot Mtn or through Kenwood Forest, Dec & Jan inside library or teen center, Feb or March ice fishing derby, April or May culminating activity, banquet?.
- Human Services will identify and obtain recommendations from Middle Schools for children.
- Obtain adult mentors through YAC members or others.
- Email Karen and/or Ken if you know anyone interested.

Announcements and/or Information Sharing

Reports

High School – Finals start Weds., Graduation on 24th. Orchestra & Chamber to perform. Step up day was 6/4. Concerts 6/1 & 6/3. Senior palooza.

SEPTA – Had elections. Doris Maldonado – President, Treasurer Jane Seigel, Secretary – Sue Goldman. Still looking for Vice President. Found out that seem to prefer attending social programs and like to get educational resources/program information through email.

Police – Officer Darby retired, will be Captain in Manchester PD. Eagle Scout project honoring Officers McDermott and Lavery vandalized. Plants uprooted & thrown into woods and water. Bench thrown into water. Reward of \$1500 offered for information leading to arrest.

Human Services – attached to 6/14 agenda

School Administration – no report

Town Council – Gym floor went out to bid. Revised 20/20 plan passed.

Board of Education – Final budget adjustments made for 2009-2010 year. Graduation on Thursday, June 24th.

Library – Summer Reading program underway. Book talks given at elementary, middle and high school. 12-15 teen programs in store for the summer. Marion Amodeo retiring.

Adjournment @ 7:48pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Pam Raynock

Next Meeting: September 13, 2010